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Rep. Hutton's Statement on Passage of the Employment Law Standardization Act

Madison – Representative Rob Hutton (R-Brookfield) issued the following statement in response to the Assembly's passage of the Employment Law Standardization Act.

"I am encouraged by the Assembly's passage of this important piece of legislation," said Representative Hutton. "In today's competitive economic environment it is important that we create a business climate that provides certainty for both employees and employers. This bill creates a standardized playing field so that both employees and employers know their rights. Under this law employees know that whether they work in Brown County, Dane County, Milwaukee County or any other county in the state they will receive the same protections under the law."

AB 748 makes seven important changes to create a standard playing field for employers and to provide certainty to the rights of employees whether they are working in Milwaukee, Dane, Brown, or Eau Claire County. These include: the prohibition of Mandatory Labor Peace Agreements, prohibiting local governments from creating duplicative occupational licenses, creating statewide uniform regulation for employment hours, creating statewide uniform regulations for employee benefits, allowing employers the right to ask salary information from prospective employees, eliminating mandated pay scales for employers contracting with local governments, creating a statewide standard on wage claims and prohibiting local governments from establishing a duplicative process.

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The 13th Assembly District contains parts of Milwaukee and Waukesha counties and includes Elm Grove and portions of Brookfield, Milwaukee, Wauwatosa, and West Allis.